advise the Central Government for the purpose of additions of occupations and processes to the Schedule. The Committee meets from time to time and on the basis of its recommendations the following occupations have been added so far in the Schedule.

—Work relating to selling of crackers and fire works in shops with temporary licences.

—Manufacture of slate pencils (including packing).

—Manufacture of products from agate.

—Manufacturing processes using toxic metals and substances such as lead, mercury, manganese, chromium, cadmium, benzene, pesticides and asbestos.

1595. (*Transferred to 3rd August, 1992*).

Inter-State Migrant Workers Act

1596. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether some State Governments have proposed for amending the Inter-State Migrant Workers Act;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the Central Government thereto?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The proposals relate mainly to amend the 'definition' of Inter-State Migrant Workmen, to make penalties more stringent for violation of the provision of the Act and to make provision to enable inspectors of the State to which the migrant workman belongs to conduct inspection in the State where he is working. These proposals will need detailed examination.

भिलाई (म.प्र.) में न्यूनतम मजदूरी अधिनियम लागू किया जाना

1597. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :** क्या **प्रधान मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि भिलाई (मध्य प्रदेश) में मजदूरों द्वारा जुलाई के प्रथम सप्ताह में न्यूनतम मजदूरी अधिनियम को लागू करने की मांग उठाई गई थी ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उनकी मांगों का ब्यौरा क्या है और उन पर सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ?

श्रम मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री पवन सिंह घटोवार) : (क) और (ख) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है ।

Contribution of New Economic Policy in the Employment Generation

1598. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the impact of new Economic Policy in the employment generation in the country during 1991-92;

(b) whether it is a fact that National Exit Policy has rendered 1.2 lakh private sector units and 200 public sector units economically unviable and declared sick rendering millions of workers unemployed; and

(c) what remedial action Government propose to take in a labour surplus country like India to provide employment to majority of the citizens?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) New Economic Policy has been announced by the Government recently and it is too early to have an assessment of its impact on employment generation.